

REMARKS

Applicants believe that all pending claims, including amended claims 54, 59, 64, and renumbered claims 76-87, are now in condition for allowance so such action is earnestly solicited at the earliest possible date.

Should there be any additional charge or fee, including extension of time fees and fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

If a telephone interview would in any way expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (408) 720-8300.

Respectfully submitted,

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